STATE OF MICHIGAN CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 30TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT INGHAM COUNTY

COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE FOR THE STATE OF MICHIGAN,

Petitioner,

File No. 98-88265-CR

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Hon. James R. Giddings

MICHIGAN HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION PLANS, INC., a Michigan health maintenance organization, doing business as OmniCare Health Plan

A.G. No. 1998053333A

Respondent.

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PETITION FOR ORDER SETTING BRIEFING SCHEDULE AND ESTABLISHING NOTICE PROCEDURE WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUE OF THE PRIORITY OF CLAIMS IN THE LIQUIDATION

Linda A. Watters, Commissioner of the Michigan Offices of Financial and Insurance Services ("OFIS"), in her capacity as Liquidator of Michigan Health Maintenance Organization Plans, Inc., formerly known as OmniCare Health Plan ("MHMO"), asks the court to enter an order, substantively similar to the proposed order attached to the accompanying brief, setting a schedule for briefing and oral argument on the issue of the priority of various claims in the estate of MHMO. In support of this Petition, the Liquidator

relies on the arguments in and attachments to the accompanying brief in support.

Respectfully submitted,

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BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF PETITION FOR ORDER SETTING BRIEFING SCHEDULE AND ESTABLISHING NOTICE PROCEDURE WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUE OF THE PRIORITY OF CLAIMS IN THE LIQUIDATION

A legal question has been raised related to the liquidation of Michigan HMO Plans, Inc., f/k/a OmniCare ("MHMO") as to the appropriate priority for payment of medical provider claims under section 42 of Chapter 81, MCL 500.8142. The Liquidator anticipates that providers will assert that their claims should be assigned Class 2 status, while general creditors are expected to maintain that provider claims should treated as Class 5 claims. The Liquidator is aware of other possible disputes about claims priorities. In the interest of

resolving these issues expeditiously and in a manner that is cost-effective for MHMO and the Court, the Liquidator asks the Court to enter an Order setting a briefing and hearing schedule, which can be served on all interested parties. A proposed Order providing for such a schedule, and the related notice procedure, is attached for the Court's review. The Liquidator suggests that the following schedule would be appropriate, subject to the Court's discretion and scheduling constraints:

Hearing date:

July 13, 2005

Date for interested parties to file briefs:

June 10, 2005

Date for Liquidator to file response brief:

July 1, 2005

Deadline for service of Order and posting

on OFIS web site

April 29, 2005

WHEREFORE the Liquidator asks the Court to enter the accompanying Order, with dates inserted by the Court.

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